Personnel Security Clearance

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Agenda

- ***Personnel Security Investigation (PSI) Changes***
- ***Interim Clearance***
- ***Continued Access***

PSI Changes

- The investigations for the adjudication and granting of Secret security clearances expanded from a National Agency check (NAC) to a National Agency Check with a Credit Check and Local Records Check (NACLC) as of January 1999.
- Periodic reinvestigations for secret security clearances changed from 15 years to 10 years.

Effects of Investigation

Scope Expansion and Periodic Reinvestigation Requirements

- Longer Processing time
- Expansion of the scope will increase the probability of denial
- Investigation Cost
- Significant increase in backlog of personnel security periodic reinvestigations

Investigation Timelines

Type of Invest OPM	Days DSS	Days
SSBI	433	
SSBI-PR	466	
NACLC	251	
NAC	50	
SII	323	

Interim Security Clearances

- An interim security clearance is based upon the completion of minimum investigative requirements. It is granted on a temporary basis, (180 days) pending completion of the full investigative requirements.

Interim Security Clearance
(continued)

- Requirements for granting an Interim Secret security clearance:
  - This is the exception not the rule.
  - A complete packet submitted to DSS/OPM without self admitted potentially derogatory information.
  - A compelling need.

Disqualifying Factors

1. Loyalty (Hostile interest against the United States)
2. Foreign Preference (Dual Citizenship)
3. Criminal Conduct
4. Mental or Emotional Disorders
5. Financial Matters
6. Foreign Connections (Vulnerability to Blackmail)
7. Security Responsibility Safeguards
8. Alcohol Abuse
9. Drug Abuse
10. Refusal to Answer
11. Sexual Misconduct
12. Falsification

Interim Security Clearance
(continued)

- Requirements for granting an Interim Top Secret security clearance:
  - This is the exception not the rule.
  - A complete packet submitted to DSS/OPM without self admitted potentially derogatory information.
  - A favorably completed NAC within the last five years.
  - A compelling need.

Continued Access

- Per current DA Guidance continued access is granted if:
  - Disqualifying derogatory information is not present.
  - There is a record of an investigation with a security clearance granted.
  - The soldier has submitted an Electronic Personnel Security Questionnaire (EPSQ).

Clearances/Investigations

Questions?